

Annual Report: Cllr. Naheed Mather 2012/13

Introduction

I was elected last year to represent the Dalton Ward and this is my first annual report for the year 2012/13.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to represent the residents of the Dalton Ward. It has been a steep learning curve where I have attended all of the induction provided to new colleagues along with regular policy seminars. I believe I have been able to make a real difference to the lives of local people in the Dalton Ward, as well as for the people in the wider Kirklees District.

Participation at Council Meeting Committees

- Full Council Meetings
- Area Committee - Huddersfield
- Appeals Panel -changed membership
- Changes to Services for Deaf and Hearing Impaired Children Sub Group Overview and Scrutiny Panel for Children and Young People
- Membership of external bodies- West Yorkshire Pension Fund Advisory Group - Joint Advisory Group
- Kirklees Labour Group Meetings

Ward Work

I have worked with my fellow Councillor colleagues to carry out mobile surgeries every Saturday mornings and knock over 100/120 residents' doors on a random basis to check problems they may be experiencing with the Council. It allows us to cover the whole ward and see for ourselves the overall condition of the ward.

I have been very successful in progressing casework and have helped to move forward ideas, projects and meetings.

- Dalton Ward (Councillors) Team with Council Services Officers
- Dalton Ward Communities Support Group
- Dalton PACT(Police and Community Together)
- Front- Line Workers Meetings, Dalton (Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing)
- Community First Panel (Dalton)
- Kilner Bank Improvement Group
- Kirkheaton Yetton Group and others in respect of the future planning of Kirkheaton Library as a community centre with library provision which offers greater access.

I have attended tenants and residents meetings at Rawthorpe, Standiforth and Longfield and Ridgeway.

Achievements During the Year

I believe, I have helped individual residents and taken action on their issues. I have made myself available for appointments to discuss various residents' issues, and reporting back to my councillor

colleagues to avoid duplication of effort whilst monitoring progress on actions taken to resolve issues to ultimate conclusion if at all possible.

I am very pleased to have been part in all of the decisions made regarding the overall improvements made within Dalton.